

The Ninth Ode of the Third Book of HORACE, Imitated.

Ben——n and G——ge.

1.

B. **W** Hilst I was Darling of your breast,
With *Lincoln-Bub* supremely blest,
We spent the Nights in Laughter :
Bade all intruding Care begon ;
Ne'er curst the Clock for Striking One,
But Smok'd our Pipes out after.

2.

G. When Surfeited with *Mun^{ster}*'s Charms,
I came hot-reaking from her Arms,
To taste thy mild *Virginy* ;
Trust me, my Friend ! the sight of Thee
Spread o'er my Face as merry Glee,
As if I'd found a Guinea.

3.

B. But Envy now begins to Work ; *unwieldy*
The testy *Earl, and jealous Turk, *S——nd.
Pursue your honest B——son,
The Peers a Smart Address have Pen'd ;
Join'd amicably, to Suspend
My Person or my Pension.

4.

G. Let Barons, Earls, and Dukes combine !
Tho' all their Force the Factions join
And with White-Staves Surround me :
Tory and Whig !—— I mind 'em both
Like *Magna Carta*, or the Oath
They gave me when They Crown'd me.

5.

B. *Town* and *Walpole* oft commend
Your Zeal and Firmness to your Friend ;
Tho' all that hear deride 'em :
But shou'd both Parties now agree
To Address down *Lincoln-Ale* and Me,
Wou'd you prove SEMPER IDEM?

6.

G. Rather than not enjoy my Ease,
And Smoke my Pipe with whom I please,
I'll go to *Herenhausen* :
For when by thy *Vitruvian* care
'Tis Thatch'd, and put in Spruce Repair,
'Twill serve us Two to Bowse in.

F I N I S.